BOARD OF LICENSE COMMISSIONERS

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William A. Judge, Chairman Robert A. Bourque David F. Arsenault

MINUTES OF MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of License Commissioners was held on March 5, 2007, in the Veterans Memorial Room, City Hall, Fitchburg, and called to order by Chairman William Judge at 6:04 PM. Commissioners Robert Bourque and David Arsenault were present.

I. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING.

The minutes of the regular meeting held on February 21, 2007 were reviewed, approved and signed.

II. PRESENTATION

Affiliated Monitors - enforcement and alternative sanctions to monitor liquor establishments.

Mr. Vincent DiCianni and Mr. John Celli were present to describe their business, Affiliated Monitors, Inc. They provide "independent private oversight and monitoring services which can assure compliance with government regulations in a variety of regulated industries such as health care, accounting, insurance practice, alcoholic beverage sales and government contracting."

III. NEW APPLICATIONS

St. Bernards's Central Catholic High School for Special One Day Wine and Malt Beverages License for a Dance from 6:30PM to 11:30PM on March 31, 2007 at St. Bernard's Activity Center.

Mr. Stephen Boudreau from St. Bernard's PTO was present. Approved 3-0.

IV. TABLED APPLICATIONS

James R. Culkeen, Supt. – Director, Montachusett Regional Vocational Technical School for Special One Day Wine and Malt Beverages License for a Thayer Pre-Concert Reception/Dinner from 4PM to 8PM on March 31, 2007.

Mr. Bill Ewing from Monty Tech was present. Approved 3-0.

Solicitor/Canvasser License:

Jay D. Berman – Working for NES Home Center, 1331 Grafton St., Worcester

Approved 3-0.

Giza Tenneha - Working for NES Home Center, 1331 Grafton St., Worcester

Approved 3-0.

Robert Haneisen, Sr. - Working for NES Home Center, 1331 Grafton St., Worcester

Approved 3-0.

Josh Brown - Working for NES Home Center, 1331 Grafton St., Worcester

Approved 3-0.

V. HEARINGS

Linda Byrne for the Finnish Center at Saima Park re: Saima Park rental agreement.

Ms. Linda Byrne, Ms. Marja Mard and Ms. Alita Herring were present.

Discussion ensued regarding the rental agreement. The Commission expressed concern with the language used in items 1 and 3 of the existing application. Ms. Byrne stated that she would create two separate rental agreements — one for the licensed premises and one for the summer hall. The Board will review the new agreements once they are submitted and either call the Finnish Center back in for further discussion or deem the new agreements to be acceptable.

Michael A. Serrano (Taxi Driver permit # ST02), re: Fitchburg Police Dept. arrest report 07-4998 **Present was Michael Serrano.**

Taxi driver permit was suspended pending outcome of court date (court date scheduled for March 29, 2007.) 3-0.

Steve's Taxi Company, 1063 Main St. re: Alleged violation of City of Fitchburg Taxi Regulations; Fitchburg Police Dept. arrest report 07-4998

Present was Mr. Stephen Lucier.

Letter of warning to be placed on file for not notifying the Board of an arrest of a taxi driver. 3-0

Janet Bedell (Taxi Driver permit #473), re: Fitchburg Police Dept. accident report 07-4951 **Present was Ms. Janet Bedell.**

No action taken.

Gary Tusia (Taxi Driver permit #335), re: Fitchburg Police Dept. motor vehicle crash report 07-5042-AC **Present was Mr. Gary Tusia.**

No action taken.

City Cab Co., 17 Snow St. re: Alleged violation of City of Fitchburg Taxi Regulations; FPD accident report 07-4951 and FPD motor vehicle crash report 07-5042-AC

Present was Ms. Marylis Bramante.

Letter of warning to be placed on file for not notifying the Board of two motor vehicle accidents involving taxis. 3-0

By Friday of this week, Ms. Bramante will bring in signatures from each of her taxi drivers acknowledging that they have read the License Commission regulations for taxi drivers.

VI. OTHER

· Review of fees

By vote of 3-0 the following fee schedule will be sent to the City Council for approval:

All Alcoholic Common Victualler	\$1200
All Alcoholic General On Premise	\$1200
All Alcoholic Club	\$1200
All Alcoholic Package Store	\$1600
All Alcoholic Inn/Hotel	\$1200
Wine & Malt Common Victualler	\$750
Wine & Malt General On Premise	\$750
Wine & Malt Package Store	\$850
Wine & Malt Club	\$750
Druggist	\$850
One Day All Alcohol	\$100
One Day Wine & Malt	\$50
Common Victualler	\$50

Dance	\$25
Automatic Amusement Device	\$100
Jukebox	\$50
Legal Advertising	\$60
Taxi Business License	\$250
Taxi Vehicle License	\$50
Taxi Driver Permit (Good for 2 yrs.)	\$25

· Taxi driver applications

Approved for two years: Randy Norris, Stephen McManus (pending new address sticker from RMV), Julia LaRoche, Michael Holohan, Jose Cruz, Robert Parisi, Shannon DeAnne Turner

Correspondence

Copy of memo from Michael O'Hara, Principal Planner to Michael Gallant regarding Planning Board site plan approval of "City Lights" bar (Amico Realty LLC) was distributed. Copy of FPD motor vehicle crash report #07-5972-AC was distributed. Copy of FPD arrest report #07-6276-AR was distributed.

Any other matter that may come before the Commission as time permits

The Clerk was instructed to summons in for the next meeting the establishments that have outdoor seating. Also, these establishments are to be asked to bring in the square footage of their outdoor seating area.

The Clerk was instructed to summons in C&M Taxi for failure to report to the Board a motor vehicle accident involving a taxi vehicle.

The Clerk was instructed to summons in Partners Pub regarding police report #07-6276-AR. The Clerk was instructed to send a letter to the ABCC requesting their written confirmation that wine and malt beverage section 12 license #0394 00037 is free and clear of all DOR liens and all ABCC issues and therefore available for issue to a new licensee.

The meeting adjourned at 8:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,		
Anna M. Farrell, Clerk		
Approved:		
William A. Judge	Robert A. Bourque	David F. Arsenault